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To: Local Licensing Authorities

From: Cheryl D. Marshall, Executive Director

Subject: 2007 Calendar of Holidays

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The following is a list of legal holidays and the dates on which they will be observed for **CALENDER YEAR 2007.**

Please save this calendar of holidays and holiday hours for **2007** and share it with your licensees. If there are any questions, please call the ABCC.

1. All licensees **MAY** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

New Year's Day Monday, January 1 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, January 16 Presidents, Day Monday, February 19 **Evacuation Day*** Saturday, March 17 **Patriots' Day** Monday, April 16 **Bunker Hill Day*** Monday, June 18 **Independence Day** Wednesday, July 4 **Labor Day** Monday, September 3 **Columbus Day** Monday, October 8 **Veterans' Day** Monday, November 12

Package stores **MAY** remain open until 11:30 p.m. on the day immediately before these holidays.

2. Package stores, manufacturers*, wholesalers and importers* **MAY NOT** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

Memorial Day Monday, May 28

Thanksgiving Day* Thursday, November 22 Christmas Day Tuesday, December 25

^{*}Holiday in Suffolk County only

^{*} Except to Section 14 licensees

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Hotels, restaurants, taverns and clubs **MAY** sell alcoholic beverages during the regular hours on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23, 2007

Registered pharmacists **MAY NOT** sell alcoholic beverages (or alcohol) at any time during the day except upon the prescription of a registered physician on all mentioned holidays.

Sunday sales by Section 15 licensees annually on a STATEWIDE basis.

Effective April 5, 2004, pursuant to the provisions of Acts 2004, Chapter 65, Sections 21 and 22, any section 15 (off-premise) licensee may make sales on Sundays, subject to the conditions that: there shall be no sales prior to the hour of 12:00 noon; that establishments which employ more that 7 persons shall compensate all employees a rate of not less than one and one-half of the employee's regular rate; no employee shall be required to work on a Sunday and refusal to work on a Sunday shall not be grounds for discrimination, dismissal, discharge, deduction of hours or any other penalty. No additional permit or approval is required any longer from the local licensing authority. A municipality may prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays annually by Section 15 (off-premise) licensees by vote of the city council or board of selectmen.

Any section 15 (off-premise) licensee that conducts business on a Sunday as provided by the law may cease the conduct of business on 1 day of the week notwithstanding the provisions of Section 77 of Chapter 138. M.G.L. c. 138, §33(c), as inserted by Acts 2003, chapter 141, section 32.